

**STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD**

SPECIAL CONTRACT APPROVAL

Re: S.C. #951

The Contract for TELECOMMUNICATIONS services between **Telephone Operating Company of Vermont LLC, d/b/a FairPoint Communications ("FairPoint")** and **a customer identified under seal**, under which FairPoint will provide Integrated Services Digital Network ("ISDN") Primary Rate Interface service, is hereby APPROVED, as provided by Title 30, Section 229 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated, for a period of 36 months. The approval of the special contract is subject to the following conditions:

1. On August 10, 2011, the Vermont Department of Public Service, after review of this Special Contract, recommended its approval subject to the same conditions that the Public Service Board adopted in the approval of Special Contract #941 (these are set out below in paragraphs 2 and 4).
2. We approve this Special Contract on the condition that if opportunities for special discounts or services to educational providers, libraries or certain rural health care providers arise as a result of the implementation of Sections 254(h)(1)(A) or (B) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, that the customer shall not be precluded from taking advantage of those opportunities because of this Special Contract.
- 3 Our approval of this Special Contract reflects our overall judgement that, as conditioned, it meets the strictures of 30 V.S.A. § 229. Except as specifically conditioned, our approval should not be construed as approval or disapproval of any of the specific negotiated terms, or as a determination that those terms are, or are not, cost-effective for the contracting customer or otherwise in the contracting customer's best interest.
4. FairPoint shall provide a copy of this Board approval to the contracting customer within ten days of this Order.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 31st day of August, 2011.

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| <u>s/ James Volz</u> |) | |
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| <u>s/ David C. Coen</u> |) | BOARD |
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| <u>s/ John D. Burke</u> |) | |

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

FILED: August 31, 2011

ATTEST: s/ Susan M. Hudson
Clerk of the Board